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TABLE 1. OPEN SEASONS, ALL DATES INCLUSIVE.

Species	Open Season	Daily Bag	Possession Limit
Sora Rail	Sep. <u>2</u> 1 - Nov. 9	5	<u>15</u> 5
Virginia Rail	Sep. <u>2</u> 1 - Nov. 9	10	<u>30</u> 10
Snipe	Sep. <u>2</u> 4 - Dec. 16	8	<u>24</u> 16
Woodcock	Oct. <u>28</u> - Oct. <u>26</u> 27 Oct. <u>28</u> 29 Nov. <u>16</u> 17	3 3	2 <del>6</del> 2 <del>6</del>
Ducks <sup>A</sup> Berkshire	Oct. <u>1410</u> - Nov. <u>3024</u> Dec. <u>910</u> - <del>Jan. 1</del> <u>Dec. 28</u>	6* 6*	1812* 1812*
Ducks <sup>A</sup> Central	Oct. <u>15</u> 8 - Nov. <u>30</u> 24 Dec. <u>21</u> 17- Jan. <u>11</u> -5	6* 6*	1812* 1812*
Ducks <sup>A</sup> Coastal	Oct. <u>1613</u> - Oct. <u>2620</u> Nov. <u>1521</u> - Jan. <u>1121</u>	6* 6*	1812* 1812*
American Coot	Same Dates as Ducks	15	<u>45</u> 30
Mergansers <sup>B</sup>	Same Dates as Ducks	5*	<u>15</u> 10*
Geese Berkshire (except blue & snow)	Oct. <u>1410</u> - Nov. <u>3024</u> Dec. <u>910</u> - Dec. <u>1720</u>	3 3	<u>9</u> 6 <u>9</u> 6
Geese Central (except blue & snow)	Oct. <u>15</u> 8- Nov. <u>30</u> 24 Dec. <u>21</u> 47 - Jan. <u>11</u> 5	2 2	<u>6</u> 4 <u>6</u> 4
Geese Coastal (except blue & snow)	Oct. <u>16</u> 13- Oct. <u>26</u> 20 Nov. <u>15</u> 21 - Jan. <u>11</u> 21	2 2	<u>6</u> 4 <u>6</u> 4
Early Canada Goose (Statewide)	Sep. <u>3</u> 4 - Sep. 25	7	<u>21</u> 14
Late Canada Goose (Central)	Jan. <u>1847</u> - Feb. 15	5	<u>15</u> 10
Late Canada Goose (North Coastal)	Jan. <u>18<del>22</del></u> - Feb. 15	5	<u>15</u> 10
Snow & Blue Goose	Same Dates as Ducks	15	<u>45</u> 30
Late Snow & Blue Goose (Central)	Same as Late Canada Goose	15	<u>45</u> 30
Late Snow & Blue Goose (North Coastal)	Same as Late Canada Goose	15	<u>45</u> 30
Sea Ducks <sup>C</sup> (Scoter, Eider, Long-tailed duck)	Oct. <u>7</u> 8 - Jan. 31	7**	<u>21</u> 14**
Brant (Coastal Only)	Nov. <u>15</u> <del>17</del> - Nov. <u>30</u> <del>2</del> 4 Dec. <u>18</u> <del>13</del> - Jan. <u>4</u> <del>31</del>	2 2	<u>6</u> 4 <u>6</u> 4
Falconry (Ducks and Coot only, no Geese)	Oct. <u>5</u> 8 - <u>Feb. 5</u> Jan 31 Feb. 2 Feb. 9	3*	<del>96</del> *
Youth Waterfowl Hunt <sup>D</sup> (Ducks, Coots, Mergansers and Geese Only)	Oct. 5Sep. 29 & Oct. 126	6*	<u>1812</u> *

<sup>\*</sup> Singly or in the aggregate

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<sup>\*\*</sup>In Sea duck zone (Count as regular ducks in all other zones): seven singly or in the aggregate, but no more than four scoter, four eider (one female), four long-tailed duck (oldsquaw) in the daily bag. 2114 in possession, but no more than twelveeight scoter, twelveeight eider (threetwo-females), twelveeight long-tailed ducks.

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- A. The bag may contain no more than: four scoter (<u>twelveeight</u> in possession); four long-tailed duck (<u>twelveeight</u> in possession); four eider, only one of which may be a female (<u>twelveeight</u> in possession, including no more than <u>threetwo</u> females); four mallards, only two of which may be a female (<u>twelveeight</u> in possession, including no more than <u>sixfour</u> females); three wood ducks (<u>ninesix</u> in possession); two redheads (<u>sixfour</u> in possession); <u>twofour</u> scaup (<u>sixeight</u> in possession); one black duck (<u>threetwo</u> in possession); <u>twoone</u> pintail (<u>sixtwo</u> in possession); one mottled duck (<u>threetwo</u> in possession); one fulvous whistling duck (<u>threetwo</u> in possession); <u>twoone</u> canvasback (<u>sixtwo</u> in possession). All other ducks (<u>Sea Ducks</u>, see Note D), no more than four of any one species in the daily bag (<u>twelveeight</u> in possession). SEASON CLOSED on harlequin ducks.
- B. Daily bag of mergansers may not include more than two hooded mergansers (no more than <u>sixfour</u> hooded mergansers in possession).
- C. Scoter, eider, and long-tailed (oldsquaw) ducks during the open period other than the open season for other ducks, shall be hunted only in coastal waters and waters of rivers and streams seaward from the first upstream bridge. Sea ducks when taken in areas other than coastal waters and waters of rivers and streams seaward of the first upstream bridge shall become part of the regular daily duck bag.
- D. On October 5September 29 and October 126, 20132, there shall be a youth waterfowl hunt in all counties of the state for minors aged 12 through 15 years of age only. During this youth waterfowl hunt, such minors may hunt ducks, geese, mergansers, and coot during the period from ½ hour before sunrise to sunset, with a bag limit of six, possession 1812, singly or in the aggregate, subject to the species restrictions in 321 CMR 3.02(2), Table 1A and 1B. All such minors must be accompanied by an adult licensed to hunt in Massachusetts and who possesses a Massachusetts waterfowl stamp. No adult may be accompanied by more than one minor, and no more than one firearm may be carried. The licensed adult may not hunt, but may carry the minor's firearm when unloaded and cased. During this youth waterfowl hunt, minors aged 12 through 14 years shall not be required to possess a hunting or sporting license and a Massachusetts and Federal waterfowl stamp. Minors aged 15 years shall possess a Massachusetts hunting or sporting license and a Massachusetts waterfowl stamp, but need not possess a Federal waterfowl stamp. All minors shall otherwise conform to all provisions of M.G.L. c. 131 and 321 CMR 3.02(2) not excepted or specified in 321 CMR 3.02(2)(b), Table 1E.

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